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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year!

It was great to see how enthusiastically the children returned to school last week. The teachers all commented on how well the children quickly settled back into school and how positively the children approached their learning in their new classes.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new children and their families in Acorn class along with the new children and families who have joined us across the school.

ROAD CLOSURE UPDATE

I would like to thank everyone for their understanding about the inconvenience of the road closure last week. Although we had a few hitches with parking, on the whole the start and end of school ran quite smoothly! Thank you to those parents who walked to and from school with their children – this greatly reduced the amount of traffic on the road and made a real difference. We did have a number of complaints from local residents regarding parking across their driveways and on the grassed area by Hall Mead. Please could I ask that we are particularly mindful of our neighbours so that we can maintain positive relationships and avoid any conflict.

I spoke to the contractors on Friday and they have advised the following:

Monday – the road will be partially open with traffic lights all day

Tuesday – the road will be closed from 9am to 3.30pm to all traffic except school buses

From Wednesday onwards it is hoped that the road will be opened partially with traffic lights all day. The contractor will update me on Tuesday afternoon if there are any amendments to this.

I have seen the new pavements and am delighted that after so many years that we will have pavements in place that will ensure that parents can park and walk their children safely into school. We have another few weeks until this work is completed but I am sure that it will be worth the wait and inconvenience.

Motivation Cooperation Creativity Independence Curiosity Stickability



SCHOOL FIELD

As you may have spotted, we now have a fantastically level school field following a summer of ground work and watering. We have been told that we will be able to use the field from half term onwards in order to ensure that the grass seed has fully rooted and is robust enough to withstand our children! Although this will cause some short term inconvenience, in the long run we will reap the benefits of having a new and level school playing field.

I would like to say a thank you to all parents and staff who took part in the watering rota throughout the summer break. I would also like to say a big THANK YOU to Colin Walters who oversaw the initial ground work, removed the enormous pile of unwanted old grass and coordinated the watering rota. The new field will make such a difference to our children and we all greatly appreciate the support from our parents.

READING AND VOCABULARY

By now you will have received information from Mrs Kemp and your child's class teacher regarding our reading and vocabulary initiatives this year. As the year progresses will we develop this work further and provide ongoing information to help you to support your child.

Evidence from research shows that children who read for enjoyment every day not only perform better in reading tests than those who don't, but also develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures. Research also shows that children who are read to every day by an adult develop a wider and richer vocabulary, which has a positive impact on a child's knowledge and understanding of the world and academic progress.

We hope that you will support these initiatives so that we can work as a partnership between home and school to improve your child's reading and acquisition of new words and use of language.

Kind Regards,

Clare Lamb

Headteacher

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